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International Year of Quinoa, 2013

The General Assembly,

Noting that quinoa is a natural food high in nutritional value,

Recognizing that Andean indigenous peoples, through their traditional knowledge and practices of living well, in harmony with nature, have maintained, controlled, protected and preserved quinoa in its natural state, including its many varieties and landraces, as food for present and future generations,

Affirming the need to focus world attention on the role that quinoa biodiversity plays, owing to the nutritional value of quinoa, in providing food security and nutrition and eradicating poverty in support of the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals, and the outcome document of the High-level Plenary Meeting on the Millennium Development Goals,[1]

Recalling resolution 15/2011 adopted on 2 July 2011 by the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations at its thirty-seventh session,[2]

Recalling also the Rome Declaration on World Food Security and the Plan of Action of the World Food Summit,[3] the Declaration of the World Food Summit: five year later[4] and the Declaration of the World Summit on Food Security,[5]

[1] See resolution 65/1.
[2] See Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, *Report of the Conference of FAO, Thirty-seventh Session, Rome, 25 June-2 July 2011* (C 2011/REP).
[3] Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, *Report of the World Food Summit, 13-17 November 1996* (WFS 96/REP), part one, appendix.
[4] Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, *Report of the World Food Summit: five years later, 10-13 June 2002*, part one, appendix; see also A/57/499, annex.
[5] Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, document WSFS 2009/2.

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Affirming the need to heighten public awareness of the nutritional, economic, environmental and cultural properties of quinoa,

1. *Decides* to declare 2013 the International Year of Quinoa;

2. *Invites* the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to facilitate the implementation of the International Year of Quinoa, in collaboration with Governments, the World Food Programme, the United Nations Development Programme, Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research centres and other relevant organizations of the United Nations system, as well as indigenous peoples' organizations and non-governmental organizations, and invites also the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to keep the General Assembly informed of progress made in this regard;

3. *Recalls* paragraph 2 of resolution 15/2011 of the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, in this regard, requests the Secretary-General to make the necessary arrangements to secure extrabudgetary funding for the International Year of Quinoa, and invites Member States, civil society organizations and other relevant stakeholders to contribute generously to this endeavour.